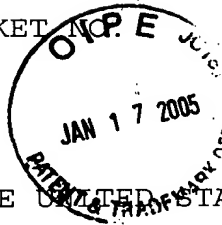


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: A. J. Paul Carew, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/491,299  
Filing Date: January 25, 2000  
Group Art Unit: 2661  
Examiner: Bob A. Phunkulh  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
PROVIDING VOICE SIGNALS TO AND  
FROM A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SWITCH

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL

In response to the Advisory Action mailed December 22, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences to reconsider the rejections to the claims and the objections to the Application.

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REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Advisory Action mailed December 22, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests consideration and favorable action in this Application.

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decisions of the Examiner mailed September 15, 2004 and December 22, 2004 finally rejecting Claims 36-84.

This application is filed on behalf of a small entity.

Attached herewith is a check made payable to the "Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks" in an amount of \$250.00 to satisfy the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

An extension of one (1) month is respectfully requested and a Notification of Extension of Time under § 1.136 with the appropriate fee is attached hereto.

CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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